

**John Dagworhty, November 3, 1755, Guard Duty Orders,  
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***Orders to be Observed by the Officer of the Fort Guard.***

You are not to Leave your guard till Relieved nor Suffer More than two Men at A Time to be Absent Your Guard is to turn out & Roll to be Called at Retreat Beating. When the Fort Major is to go his Rounds. Receive the Parole & know What Orders You have Given You are to go your Rounds A little after Tattoo & take Proper Notice of those Who are out of their Quarters. or any Ways Disorderly. You are Also to go the Rounds A Little before the Morning Gun A Serjeant to Patrol once Between the Reliefs if not Relieved Every Hour When you have Recd. the Report of the Magazine Guard you are to Write it Over Fair at the bottom of Your Own Including the Officers Name The Corporal who Relieves is to have the Guard Room Delivered to him Clean and All things Belonging thereto in good Order. and the Drummer your Guard Room in the Like good Order Your Guard is to turn out With Rested Arms to the Commanding Officer as he Passes and once per Day Stand by their Arms to a Column Your Centries are to Rest to a Commanding Officer Or their Field Officer of their one Regiment as Often as they Pass and shouldered to other Officers the Gates are to be Shott as soon as the Fort Major Returns from the Out guard that he May Carry the keys to the Commanding Officer When he Makes Report In Case of an Alarm the Guard is to turn out and Write for Orders—Ye Guard to turn out at the firing of the Gun in the Morning and Continue Under Arms Untill the Gates are Opened. Given under My hand at Fort Cumberland this 3rd. day of Novr. 1755

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JNo. DAGWORTHY per THOS. CARTER SERGT. Note.—Stephen absent till December 9

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[Note in Washington's handwriting—"A Copy of the Order by what the Court pretended to determine, and According to Which Their Opinion is most Erroneous."]